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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Shunsuke Furukawa et al.  
Serial No.: 09/649,955  
Filed : August 29, 2000  
For : RECORDING MEDIUM, METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING  
RECORDING MEDIUM AND DATA RECORDING  
Group A.U.: 2752  
Examiner : Paul W. Huber

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Official Action of June 14,  
2004 as follows.

In response to the requirement for an election of a species  
Applicant hereby elects so-called species 1) comprising the  
apparatus set forth in Fig. 8 in which the pre-set conversion rule  
is defined by the so-called first method, as described on page 10,

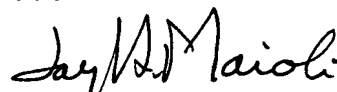
lines 3-7.

Applicant states that claims 1-3, 8-16, 21-28, 33-40, 45-52, 38-64, and 68-70 read on the elected species of Fig. 8 performing the pre-set conversion rule following the first method.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

COOPER & DUNHAM LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay H. Maioli". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jay" and last name "Maioli" being clearly legible, and "H." as a small initial.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No fee is required.

☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.

☐ Total claims in excess of ☐ previously paid for, at \$18 (\$9)

☐ Independent claims in excess of ☐ previously paid for, at \$78 (\$39)

☐ Additional Fee for this Amendment

☐ This Response is being filed within the ☐ first month, ☐ second month, ☐ third month, ☐ fourth month, ☐ fifth month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. Applicants Petition for an extension, and the fee of ☐ \$110 (\$55), ☐ \$410 (\$205), ☐ \$930 (\$465), ☐ \$1,450 (\$725), ☐ \$1,970 (\$985) is due and paid herewith.

☐ The fee of \$☐ set by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) for the Information Disclosure Statement is due and paid herewith.

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